

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Non-Provisional Application, attached hereto is a drawing Figure illustrating a conventional FCC unit which may be used to practice the disclosed invention. For the reasons stated in the herewith Petition, the herewith drawing Figure is not required for this application to be complete, the herewith Figure illustrates a state of the art (conventional) FCC unit, and the addition of the attached drawing Figure to the subject application does not introduce new matter. This application should therefore be accorded a filing date as of the date of deposit, October 22, 2003.

An early and favorable Decision on the concurrently filed Petition is solicited.

In accordance with PTO Rule 56, 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to the attached copies of patent documents identified in the specification and listed on the attached form PTO-1449. A brief explanation of the relevance of each reference is already set forth in the specification. Official citation and consideration is requested.

This Information Disclosure Statement is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

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